

# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No  
PCT/182004/002554

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER  
IPC 7 H02G1/08

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)  
IPC 7 H02G

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the International search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ

## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	US 3 793 732 A (HAMRICK J) 26 February 1974 (1974-02-26) cited in the application column 6, line 67 - column 7, line 27; claims 4,7; figures 1,4	1,9,10
A	US 4 953 828 A (BALDECCHI SAURO S ET AL) 4 September 1990 (1990-09-04) the whole document	1,3,8-10
A	US 4 043 537 A (RUSSO JR JOHN CHARLES) 23 August 1977 (1977-08-23) cited in the application	
A	GB K10705A (GOURLAY ALBERT HAROLD ; BROWN GEORGE ABNER (CA); GATENBY ERNEST GILLES) 11 August 1910 (1910-08-11) cited in the application	

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.

☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

### \* Special categories of cited documents:

- \*A\* document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
- \*E\* earlier document but published on or after the international filing date
- \*L\* document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
- \*O\* document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
- \*P\* document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed

- \*T\* later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention
- \*X\* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone
- \*Y\* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art
- \*&\* document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search

15 November 2004

Date of mailing of the international search report

24/11/2004

Name and mailing address of the ISA

European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2  
NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk  
Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl,  
Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016

Authorized officer

Lomme1, A

# INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Inter al Application No  
PCT/IB2004/002554

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date	Patent family member(s)		Publication date
US 3793732	A	26-02-1974	NONE		
US 4953828	A	04-09-1990	FR EP	2623665 A1 0325882 A1	26-05-1989 02-08-1989
US 4043537	A	23-08-1977	NONE		
GB 191010705	A	11-08-1910	NONE		